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JOINT STATE-DEFENSE MESSAGE

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, LE

SUBJECT: GOL REQUEST FOR MILITARY ASSISTANCE
REF: BEIRUT 1713

1. REFTEL RAISES A NUMBER OF QUESTIONS. OUR VIEW IS THAT
GOL MUST NOT RPT NOT BE ALLOWED TO USE THIS LATEST REQUEST
AS AN EXCUSE TO DELAY DEPLOYING A FORCE TO THE SOUTH IN
SUPPORT OF UNIFIL. WE CONCUR IN THE LINE YOU PROPOSE TO
TAKE IN PARA 8 OF REFTEL. WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO MAKE A
FINAL DECISION ON THE SHIPMENT OF M-16S AND AMMUNITION UNTIL
MILITARY SURVEY TEAM HAS MADE AN INTERIM REPORT. TEAM WILL
BE TAKING THIS QUESTION UP IMMEDIATELY ON ITS ARRIVAL. FYI:
IN THE MEANTIME, DOD IS MOVING AHEAD TO DEVELOP PRICE AND
AVAILABILITY DATA ON THE URGENT ITEMS REQUESTED: 3,000
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M-16S AND AMMUNITION, TENTS, UNIFORMS, MESS KITS, AND
FIELD KITCHENS. TOTAL COST WILL BE ABOUT DOLS 2.5 MILLION.
END FYI.

2. IF THE GOL WANTS TO USE FY 72 FMS MONEY FOR THE PURCHASE
OF ANY OF THIS EQUIPMENT, WRITTEN DELEGATION WILL HAVE TO
BE SENT FROM BOUTROS TO ENABLE THE LEBANESE EMBASSY (CAPT.
4EHME) TO SIGN THE LETTERS OF OFFER. THE AUTHORIZATION TO

NEHME CAN BE LIMITED TO A PARTICULAR ITEM OR MORE GENERAL TO COVER THE ENTIRE LIST.

3. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES CAN TENTS PROVIDED WITH DISASTER RELIEF FUNDS BE TURNED OVER TO LAF. THIS COULD RESULT IN A CUTOFF OF FURTHER DISASTER RELIEF SHIPMENTS.

4. FYI: 3,000 M-16S AND AMMO COULD BE AVAILABLE FOR SHIPPING FROM WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER ORDER IS PLACED, ACQUIRED EITHER THROUGH DIRECT COMMERCIAL PURCHASE OR THROUGH FMS LOAS. END FYI.

5. IF ASSISTANCE IS APPROVED, COMPLETE P AND A DATA WILL BE AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY.

6. INTERIM REPORT (PARA 1) SHOULD BE CABLED BY TEAM FROM BEIRUT. COOPER

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